

**Morgan County Commission Meeting
December 6, 2017**

Members present:

Commissioner Joel Tuttle, President
Commissioner Robert Ford
Commissioner Ken Reed

Also present: Lawrence Thomas; County Administrator, Kristy Farris Somers,
Commission Secretary

Public present: See attached sign in sheet

The meeting was opened by Kimberly Nickles, Honorable County Clerk, at 9:30 a.m.

Approval of meeting minutes

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve meeting minutes from November 1, 2017. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried. Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve meeting minutes from November 3rd special meeting. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Assessor's Exonerations

Clerical Error- 10 Exonerations

Commissioner Ford made motion to approve 10 Exonerations due to clerical error. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Taxpayer Error- 3 Exonerations

Commissioner Ford made a motion to table the 3 Exonerations to the next Commission Meeting on December 20, 2017. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ford made a motion to develop a policy at the next meeting to send letters out to parties with exonerations to inform them of Commission Meeting dates and times.

Approval of Carrier for Next- In- Line Towing Service

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve Skeeters Autobody and Towing LLC as a provider for the Next- In- Line Towing Services. President Tuttle Voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval to extend "Cannon Drive" off of Valley Road

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve and extend "Cannon Drive" off of Valley Road. President Tuttle voted nay, Commissioner Ford voted nay, and Commissioner Reed nay. Motion defeated.

Approval of Road Name "Bonnie Brae Lane"

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve road name "Bonnie Brae Lane". President Tuttle Voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Road Name "Iva Mae Lane"

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve road name "Iva Mae Lane". President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Economic Development Resolution for LED (Local Economic Development Grant)

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the Economic Development Resolution for LED Grant. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of hiring Heather Gunther for Paralegal position effective November 16, 2017

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the Hiring of Ms. Gunther Effective November 16, 2017. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Appointment of Lawrence Thomas to the Eastern Panhandle Home Consortium.

Commissioner Reed made a motion to appoint Lawrence Thomas to the Eastern Panhandle Home Consortium. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commission Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Re-appointments to Morgan County Economic Development Authority Board

Commissioner Ford made a motion to re-appoint Mark Garfinkel , Paul Mock, Sean Forney, Mark Harrell to the Morgan County Economic Development Authority Board. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Agenda Items

Discussion regarding the Morgan County Unsafe Structures and Property Enforcement Ordinance

Commissioner Reed approached the Morgan County Commission with a power point presentation to explain the importance of developing and adopting the Unsafe Structure and Property Enforcement Ordinance. The Commission will review and discuss further about adopting this ordinance at a later meeting.

Update on the William Street Oil Spill (Discussion on next steps)

Dick Myers, Office of Emergency Service Director, Jerry Crispino, WV DEP, and Vincent Cichocki, Facilities Director approached the Morgan County Commission with a power point presentation to provide an update on the Oil Spill at 96 Gospel Lane. Mr. Myers explained the steps that have been taken to clean up the spill and additional cost for the clean up. They will keep the Commission updated on the process.

Discussion regarding the merit of Morgan County joining the lawsuit verses the Opioid Manufactures and Distributors – presentation by Skinner Law Firm

Mr. Stephen Skinner, Skinner Law Firm approached the Morgan County Commission with a power point presentation explaining the lawsuit .The Morgan County Commission will discuss the merits of Morgan County joining the lawsuit and provide a decision at a later date.

Discussion of the letter received from Morgan County Board of Education and future use of the Community Services Building on Green Street.

The Morgan Commission consulted with Prosecuting Attorney Dan James to seek legal advice prior to pursuing the matter further.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Personnel Discussion - Possible Executive Session

Commissioner Ford made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried. No decision was made at this time.

Commissioner Reed made a motion to come out of Executive Session. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Recess

President Tuttle made a motion to recess the meeting. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea, and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSION
" MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET "

SHEET : OF:

DATE: December 6, 2017				
NO.	" PRINT NAME "	REPRESENTING	PHONE #	E-MAIL ADDRESS
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10	BARB WOLFE	SELF		
11	Mary Wolf	"		
12	Dan James	PA		
13	Stephen Skinner	Skinner Law Firm		
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